

[10 March, 2000]

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(B) One Homoeopathic unit each at Ghaziabad, Pitam Pura and NOIDA under Delhi, Jabalpur, Madras, Bombay, Trivandrum, Guwahati, Calcutta and Hyderabad.

(C) One Unani Unit each at Vivek Vihar, Delhi and Jaipur.

(D) One Siddha Unit at Madras.

(d) No, Sir. It is not a fact as the funds are allocated at the time of approval for setting up of CGHS dispensaries.

Banning of Cigarette Manufacturing

1732. SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that several foreign cigarette manufacturing companies are promoting their products in India; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken to ban such products which are a health hazard for India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Committee on Subordinate Legislation (Tenth Lok Sabha) in its 22nd Report had made several recommendations primarily intended to discourage the use of tobacco & tobacco products. The Government is examining these recommendations and the draft legislation is under consideration of the Government.

Medicinal Properties of Rudraksh

†1733. SHRIVEDPRAKASH P. GOYAL:

DR. GOPALRAO VITHALRAO PATIL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of a lot of work done on the medicinal properties of Rudraksh by a Senior Officer of Government of India, Concluding that a person can get relief from the body pain by the positive energy emitting from Rudraksh, and high and low blood pressure can be controlled easily and it has been used for cancer and leprosy;

†Original Notice of the Question was received in Hindi.